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Shallow pockets

Tuition raised despite state-wide freeze

By Aaron Weiser

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Financial burden is not just a reality for those who cannot find work this year, but also for students. As many K-State students begin jobs or internships this summer, they might have to save a few extra dollars for tuition in the fall.

A recent budget proposed through the Kansas House Appropriations Committee in Topeka cut higher education by 12 percent. This decrease, in accordance with the economy's current instability, will be represented by tuition increases at schools across Kansas.

In early March, the Kansas Board of Regents announced in a press release that a plan to freeze tuition costs across the state for the 2009-10 school year had been unanimously approved. The conditional agreement stated that among other things, the plan would help address important campus deferred building maintenance projects. The plan hinged on the ability of the legislature to keep its budget reductions to higher education under 7 percent.

A month later, due to a continuing downward economic spiral, the legislature faced the difficult task of decreasing the budget further without warning the programs it funds. The board stated it was still committed to the tuition freeze, provided that no more money was cut from higher education.

By the first week of May, though, a new press release was sent out immediately following the altered budget cuts from the House appropriations committee, as a 12 percent reduction in funds caused the board to alter its initial plan.

With students considering rising costs, financial aid might be even more important for many K-State students.

"Seventy percent of K-State students are on financial aid," said Pat Bosco, vice president of student life and dean of students. "With enrollment over 23,000 last year, that is a lot of common concern. A day doesn't pass that I don't speak with a student or parent, either current or prospective, about financing their education at K-State."

K-State has seen tuition increases during the past few years already. Last year an annual increase of just under 6 percent was implemented. The leaders of all six Kansas Board of Regents universi-



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sities met a few weeks ago and pitched their individual increase data to the board, which will vote on the increases in June. K-State was in the middle, with a composite proposal of 3.9 percent, or just around \$240 per year for in-state students.

University and government officials said they are still concerned shortages will occur between the decreased funding and increased tuition.

"Tuition is a major component of K-State's operating budget," said Bruce Shubert, vice president for administration and finance. "A big chunk of that pays tuition and salaries. We've cut \$13.5

million out of the fiscal budget for 2010. That means around 200 positions will remain unfilled going into next year - many of those are staff and some faculty positions. People are being asked to cover more bases so we can continue to provide our core services."

"The worst thing you can do in an economic crisis is lower your standards of quality for a great education," said Rep. Tom Hawk-D, Manhattan. "And the second worst thing you can do in an economic crisis is price the cost of a quality education out of the reach of the people in the state who really deserve and need it."

Baseball team finishes record-breaking season

Members of the K-State Baseball team cheer after a play during the Missouri home game April 17. The Wildcats lost the Missouri game 3-4.



COLLEGIAN FILE PHOTO

By Aaron Weiser

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State baseball team finished its phenomenal 2009 season Monday when the Wildcats lost to Rice, ranked sixth in the nation, in the Houston Regional of the NCAA College World Series. The Wildcats (43-18-1, 14-11-1 Big 12 Conference) finished the season ranked 14th in the country and with a number of individual accolades.

Record-breaking was a common theme throughout the season as head coach Brad Hill led the team to its first-ever regional with 41 wins. Beating Xavier and Rice once, K-State advanced to the championship game before being knocked out of the tournament with two losses to the Owls. At the end of play, four Wildcats were named to the All-Houston Regional team - senior Jordan Cruz, juniors A.J. Morris and Justin Bloxom, and freshman Nick Martini.

Adding to an already long

list of accomplishments, Morris was named as one of five finalists for the Golden Spikes Award, which honors the top college baseball player in the country, by USA Baseball on Tuesday. Morris hurled his way to the top of the K-State books this year with single-season records of 14 wins and 100 strikeouts, and is the first Wildcat since 1992 to become a first-team All-American. The winner of the Golden Spikes Award will be announced July 14 at MLB's All-Star FanFest in St. Louis.

The team as a whole also made waves nationally, ranking in the top 25 in triples (22), double plays (64) and win-loss percentage (.702), while finishing second in total stolen bases with 149.

K-State will lose six seniors - Cruz, Drew Biery, Lance Hoge, Rob Vaughn, Todd Vogel and Dane Yelovich. While these seniors played crucial roles this season, the importance of underclassmen to the Cats' success bodes well for Hill and his 2010 squad.

City debates increase in property tax

By Rico van Buskirk

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The Manhattan City Commission vigorously debated the proposed 2010 Manhattan City budget Tuesday night.

Bernie Hayen, city director of finance, presented the proposal during the commission's meeting at City Hall. Hayen used a slideshow to graphically explain relevant trends in city finances and growth.

The principal concern facing the city's 2010 budget is a balance between a proposed 10 percent increase to the city property tax and the preservation of merit-based raises for city employees. Several firefighters were in attendance to hear the debate concerning the future of their salaries.

Commissioners Jim Sherrow and Jayme Morris-Harleman voiced ardent support for the retention of a one-percent raise for non-union city employees. They said that city employees should feel adequately appreciated, monetarily, for the work they do.

City Manager Ron F. Fehr clarified the significance of the one-percent raise. He noted that the percentage is applied to personnel costs for all city employees, meaning each employee's annual raise varies depending on what he or she currently makes.

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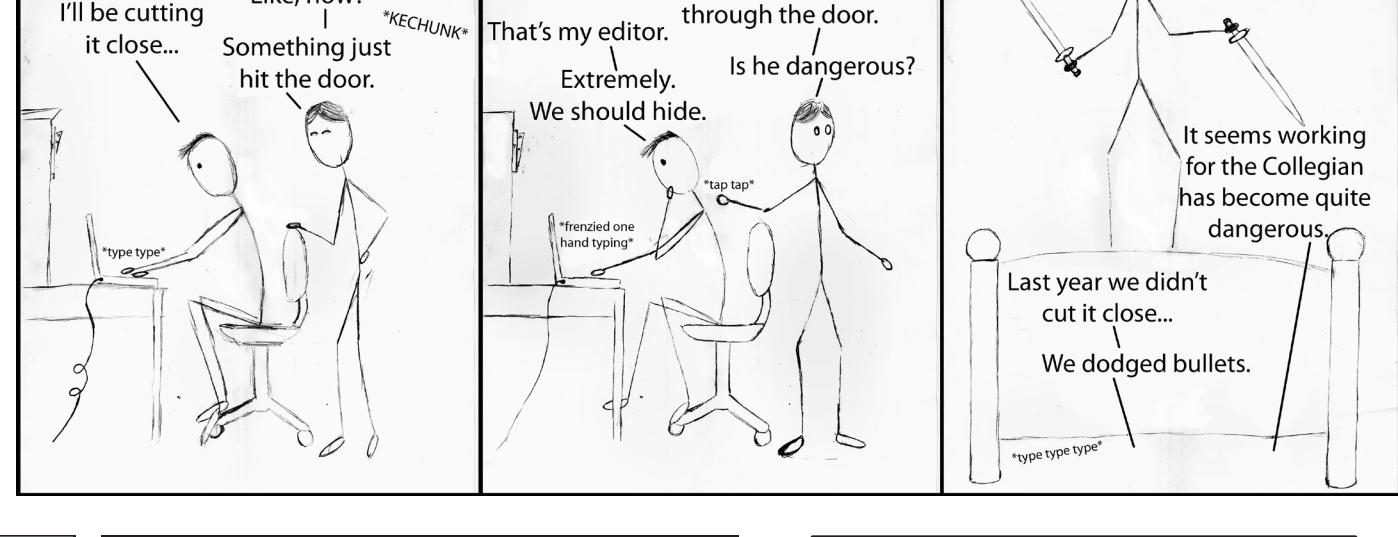
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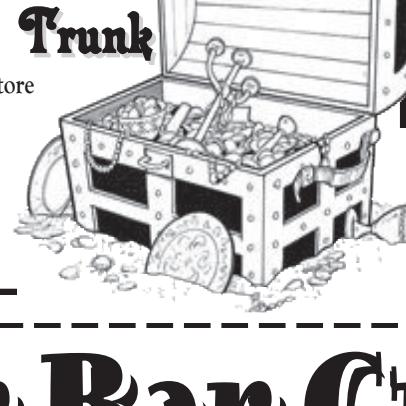
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Thursday
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11 a.m.-9 p.m.
Hard & Soft

\$2 Any Pint
\$2 Import Bottle

\$3 Bombs

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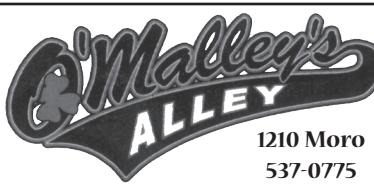
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1/2 Margaritas

\$2 Wells

\$3 Domestic Pitchers

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Wednesday

\$2 U Call It

\$3 Bombs

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Thursday

1/2 Margaritas

\$2 Any Bottles

\$2 Bud Light Pints

\$3 Amp Bomb

Friday & Saturday

\$3.50 Coronas

Sunday

\$1 All Drinks

\$2 Amp Bombs

Hookah becoming more popular despite health concerns

By Elise Podhajsky
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Tucked away in a back-room of On The Wildside, an alternative goods store in Aggierville, a sanctuary for lovers of exotic smoke awaits. The back wall showcases at least six tall, ornate smoking devices, and up to 40 varieties of "shisha," or flavored tobacco, can be found in small plastic bags across its countertops.

These might seem like products commonly found in Cheech and Chong films, but this social smoking activity is legal and rapidly growing in popularity among Manhattan residents.

Luke Nestler, senior in mass communications, has sold hookah products at On The Wildside for more than two years and said he has seen an unmistakable

increase in demand for the intricate smoking device as well as its shisha.

When he began working at the store, Nestler said On The Wildside offered only three flavors of shisha and stocked one or two hookah pipes. Now, he said the store routinely carries 40 flavors of shisha and has the ability to order hundreds of varieties of the flavored tobacco upon request. He also said the store must now order new hookahs every week to keep up with demand. So why has the popularity of smoking hookah picked up so recently?

"I think a major part of it is that everyone's going to Iraq," Nestler said. "[Smoking hookah] is a big thing over there. A lot of the soldiers caught onto it over there, and with Fort Riley

being just down the street, it's really caught on here - kind of passed on by word of mouth."

Hookah originated in the Middle East and is a single or multi-stemmed water pipe with a hose through which users inhale smoke. The smoke, which usually takes a cool and thin form, is regulated by the water and a filter in the pipe that slow the speed of airflow. Once inhaled, the user is able to taste the smoke from the flavored tobacco leaves, which Nestler said are covered with glycerin or molasses and are usually fruit-flavored. The objective of smoking hookah, Nestler said, is to "take pulls at your leisure, enjoy the flavorful smoke, pass it around and see who can make the best smoke rings."

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Hookah smoking has become widely popular among young people. The hookah is the intricate device used to smoke flavored tobacco.

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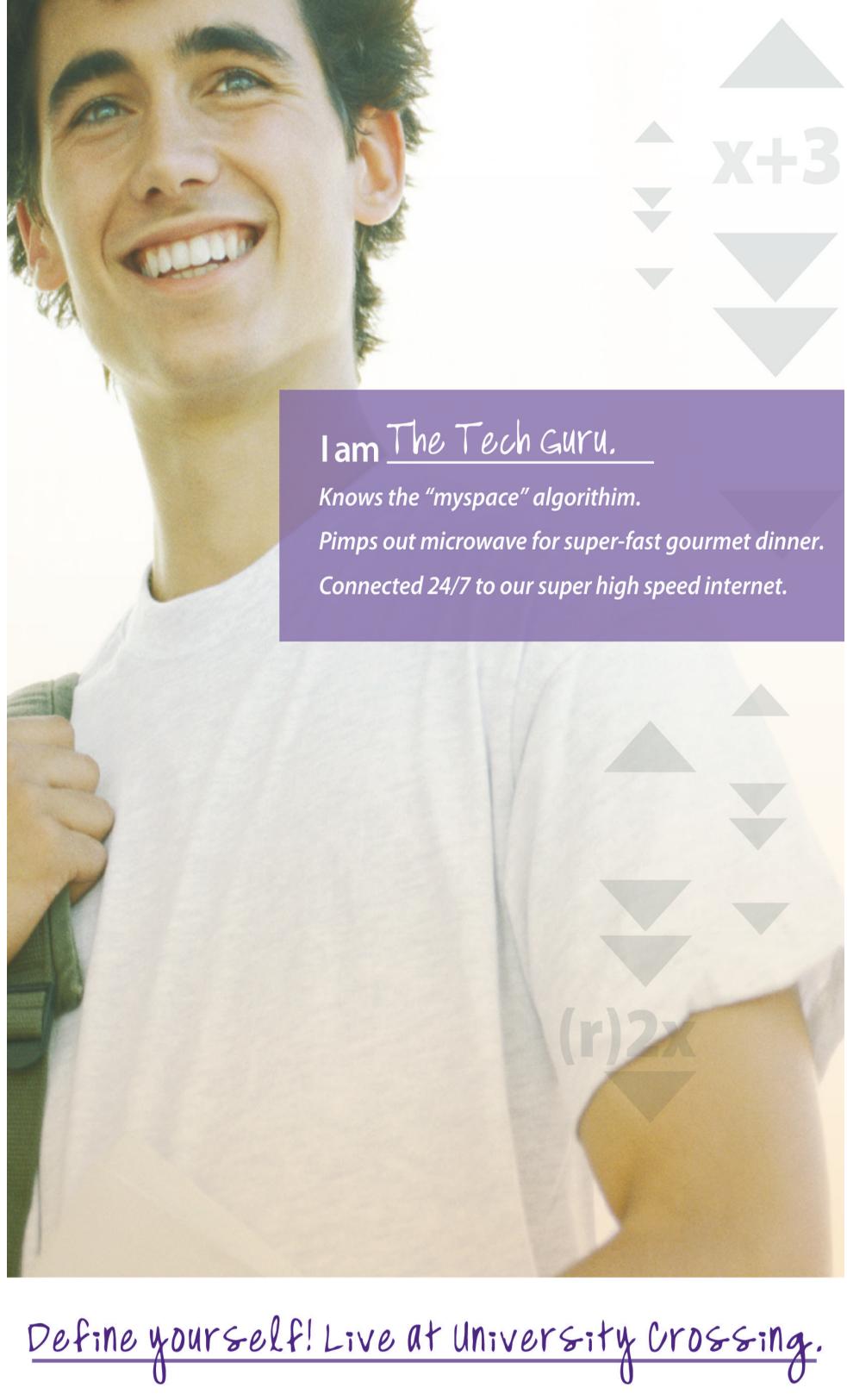
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Government's buy-out of GM bad for consumers

It appears with the beginning of the Obama administration that we have reached the end of an era. Of the big three automakers who churned through the 20th century, only Ford Motor Co. is left intact. Chrysler filed for bankruptcy in April, bringing the big three down to two, and on June 1, General Motors Corporation announced that it, too, was filing for Chapter 11.

This is a somber moment in history, but one we all knew was inevitable. The decline of U.S. automakers has been apparent for decades. Chrysler barely avoided bankruptcy in 1979 thanks to a \$1.5 billion government loan, equivalent to \$4.5 billion today. However, this is nothing compared to the \$20 billion GM has received in the last year from both the Bush and Obama administrations in order to keep it from collapsing.

The new GM will be a government enterprise, with 60 percent owned by the taxpayers, thanks to another \$30 billion donation, and controlled by the federal "car czar." This is folly following folly.

Why don't we go back to why GM and, by extension, the big three automakers were hurting in the first place? We are told it started with the introduction of Japanese cars in the 1980s. Honda, Toyota and Nissan all began producing their own models in the U.S. in the early 80s and from that point on, they gained market share in America. At this time, GM began taking a loss.

Sure, you could blame the competition, but to be fair, look at how GM handled the new competition. There has been more than enough time since then for GM and the other American carmakers to adjust and survive. Instead, they allowed Big Labor to build an unbreakable grip on Detroit - adding health care costs, unreasonable employee benefit and other "features" to price Detroit cars out of competition. It al-

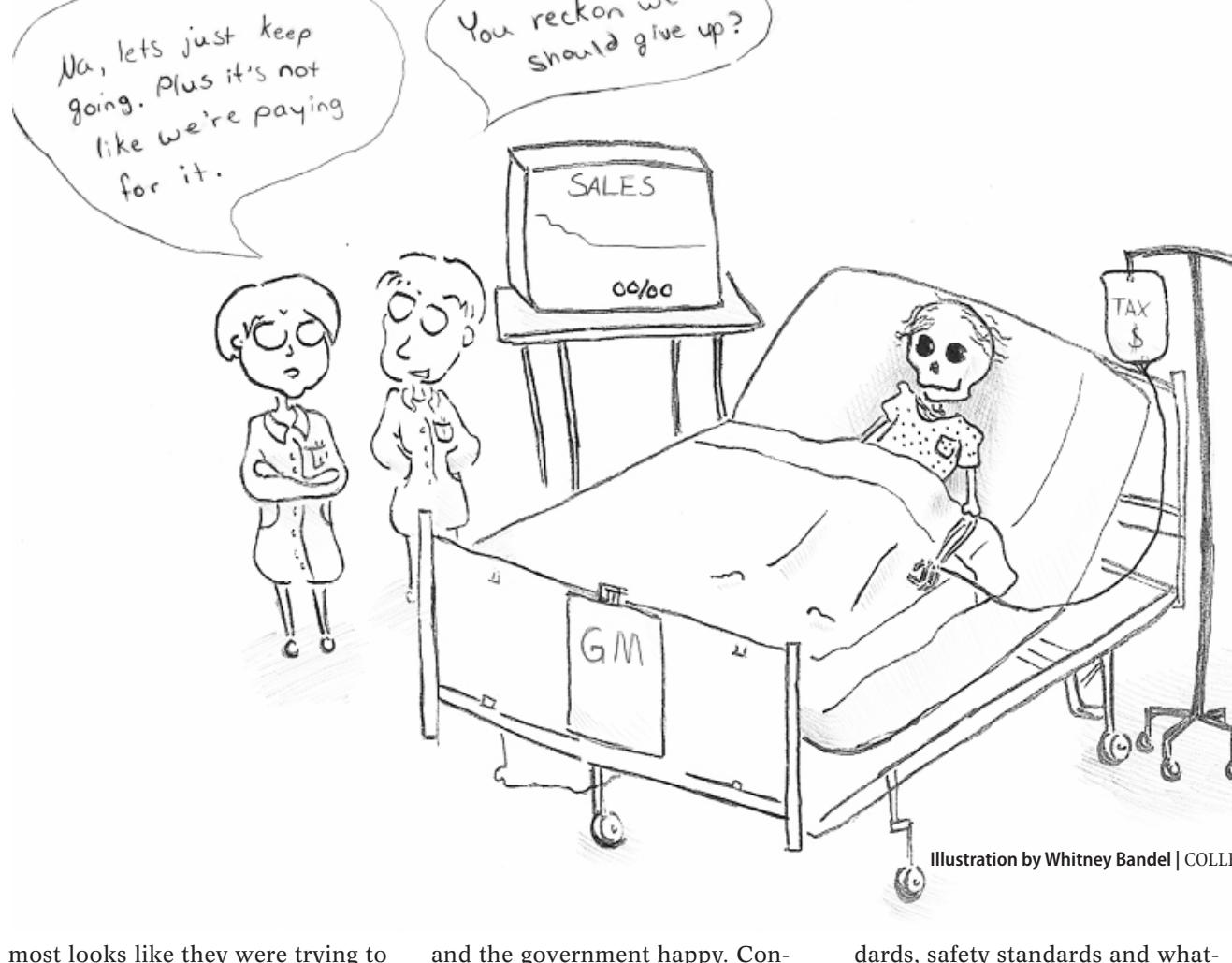
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most looks like they were trying to make life for foreign car companies easy.

What followed was a gradual decline into mediocrity for GM. Swimming along with the weight of massive labor deals, the company wasn't doing too hot, and with the added weight of onerous emissions regulations, it started sinking. GM started out uncompetitive and just got worse. The drying credit market in late 2008 added easily enough extra weight to put the venerable company on the bottom.

Obama's solution is nationalization. Now the administration has decided to take over GM and turn it into the perfect little government car company. The White House tells us that taxpayer spending is over and Government GM (let's call it GGM) will be solvent from here to eternity.

Yeah, right.

GM collapsed because it was no longer addressing consumer needs; it needed to make Big Labor

and the government happy. Consumers weren't interested in what GM was building and bought from somewhere else. GGM is entirely beholden to the government. This isn't making GGM any more competitive than GM was, and consumers aren't dumb.

There aren't promises of improved quality. Neither are there any about reducing cost. I haven't even heard talk of improved customer service. GGM is more of the same, and consumers will be no more motivated to buy the same product in slightly different packaging.

Our federal government has purchased a black hole for our tax dollars.

The government isn't going to like its perfect "made in the USA" cars sitting there on GGM and G-Chrysler lots unsold. Also, the lovely thing about being the government is that you get to make the rules. Next, officials will change emission standards, mileage stan-

dards, safety standards and whatever other regulations there are out there to force private car companies to increase prices.

Private car companies will begin producing fewer models, developing fewer models and increasing prices to counteract the costs from the government's new rules. It doesn't make good economic sense to produce cars for niche markets when the development costs have skyrocketed from government regulation.

Big Government's misapplication of economic principles will end up leading to us seeing more expensive cars with less variety and more features we consumers don't want.

All because the government wouldn't let a few private enterprises go softly into the night.

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Reproductive choice needs protection from President

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Where is my government? The civil rights of U.S. females have been continually raped and pillaged by domestic terrorism.

I cannot blame the family of Dr. George Tiller for closing Women's Health Care Services in Wichita after his fatal shooting May 31. However, it is a tragedy that so much responsibility for women's health care weighed upon Tiller's shoulders. It is even more devastating that no one else is safe enough to pick up the slack.

While alleged shooter Scott Roeder issues grandiose statements from jail, women who had appointments to receive legal medical treatment from the strongest pillar in Midwest reproductive rights are traveling further and waiting longer to be seen by a qualified doctor.

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Only a week since Tiller's clinic closed, Planned Parenthood of Kansas and Mid-Missouri has begun to see an increase in contact with women from south-central Kansas, said the organization's executive director, Peter Brownlie, in a Wichita Eagle article.

"At the present time, there's no place between Denver and Kansas City where a woman can obtain abortion care," Brownlie said. "That's a significant barrier for women throughout the state that have that need."

That need will not decrease with the outlawing of abortions. Anyway, as Tiller once said, "Prenatal testing without prenatal choices is medical fraud."

I need my president to assure me this country will not tolerate the intimidation of medical providers and half the American population. However, my patriotism has withered after witnessing the downfall of reproductive rights during the last decade at the hands of people who wish to limit American freedom.

A timeline of Tiller's career illustrates the escalating do-

mestic terrorism quite clearly. No doctor should have to wear a flak jacket and drive to work in an armor-plated Jeep, but Tiller did for years. When he let his guard down to pray inside a religious sanctuary, he was shot point-blank by a man who is now protected from death by default Kansas law.

President Obama, the rights of your citizens are dissolving in the courts while doctors are being killed for fulfilling the Hippocratic Oath. According to the mission statement of the Department of Homeland Security, the organization has a duty to "safeguard our people and their freedoms, critical infrastructure, property and the economy of our nation from acts of terrorism, natural disasters and other emergencies."

President Obama, I am begging you to give feminists a glimmer of hope that this unconstitutional trend will change.

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Summer Collegian editorial board shares semester goals

Matt Binter: As Editor-in-Chief this summer I am going to strive to push reporters to go more in-depth into their stories instead of just touching the surface of the news. I am committed to providing accurate and consequential news to both the K-State campus and the Manhattan community.

Rebecca Bush: I plan to help the Collegian find new personalities to profile and fresh angles on regular stories. On a more personal level, I want to consistently design an in-

formative page 2 and be a good newsroom mom and mentor.

Erica Blaauw: As copy chief, I want to make sure the Collegian is publishing clean stories. I also want to make sure the Collegian staff knows how to have a good time, and make production more lively and entertaining for all of us on those late nights.

Tim Schrag: As news editor, I want to ensure quality and fairness in our coverage. I also want to make the newsroom a fun and

inviting place for anyone who might come in.

Tiffany Roney: As edge & features editor, I feel like I have a pretty cool job. I want to use the features desk to cover a variety of interesting topics, and I want to make the Edge page both "edgy" and clean - yes, it can be done. I will push my writers craft stories that readers will enjoy and remember.

Whitney Hodgin: As multimedia/online editor I'll do my best to make www.kstatecollegian.com user

friendly and visually appealing.

Nathaniel LaRue: As the summer 2009 opinion editor, Nathaniel will make the world a better place to live and an easier place to grow and have a family.

Rico van Buskirk: My goal over the coming months is to increase coverage of Manhattan in order to bring greater awareness of metro news to the K-State campus.

Ann Conrad: As campus editor, I hope to provide

readers with interesting, informative stories about K-State. I will encourage reporters to go more in-depth and cover stories and events readers want to learn more about.

Chelsy Lueth: As the photography editor for the Collegian, I intend to create a visually appealing paper which tells the Collegian's stories well with photographs.

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One year later: Manhattan, Chapman continue to rebuild

By Jacie Noel
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

June 11, 2008. For residents of Manhattan and Chapman, Kan., it is a day many will never forget.

Chapman United Methodist Church Pastor Ken Trickle said he and his wife were in their parsonage at the time the tornado hit.

"The sirens had been on and we had gone to the basement, but the sirens went off and we returned to the living room," Trickle said. "The first thing I saw was the north wall of our house crumbling and coming down."

Trickle said he and his wife crouched under a couch as a wall came down over them and the roof of their house blew off. The Trickles had a brick fireplace that also came crashing down, missing them by only three or four feet.

"We survived the tornado with no major injuries," Trickle said.

Meteorologists rated the tornado that came through Chapman as an EF-3 based on wind speeds. While the tornado that struck Manhattan was rated as an EF-4, the tornado in Chapman was twice as wide.

No matter what the tornadoes were rated, they caused significant damage to both communities.

Little Apple Toyota Honda was one of the businesses affected by the Manhattan tornado. General Manager Jim Gaidos said he initially heard the tornado had hit and there was damage, but he was not sure how much.

"You just don't know if it is going to be a pane of glass blown out or if it is not even there anymore," Gaidos said. "It was some-

where in between those two; it was here but there wasn't much left."

Gaidos said when he arrived at the car dealership to look at the damage, the walls were still standing but glass was blown out, desks were blown out of the show room and rain was pouring in from roof damage. He said cars had been tossed around and rows of cars were bunched up against each other.

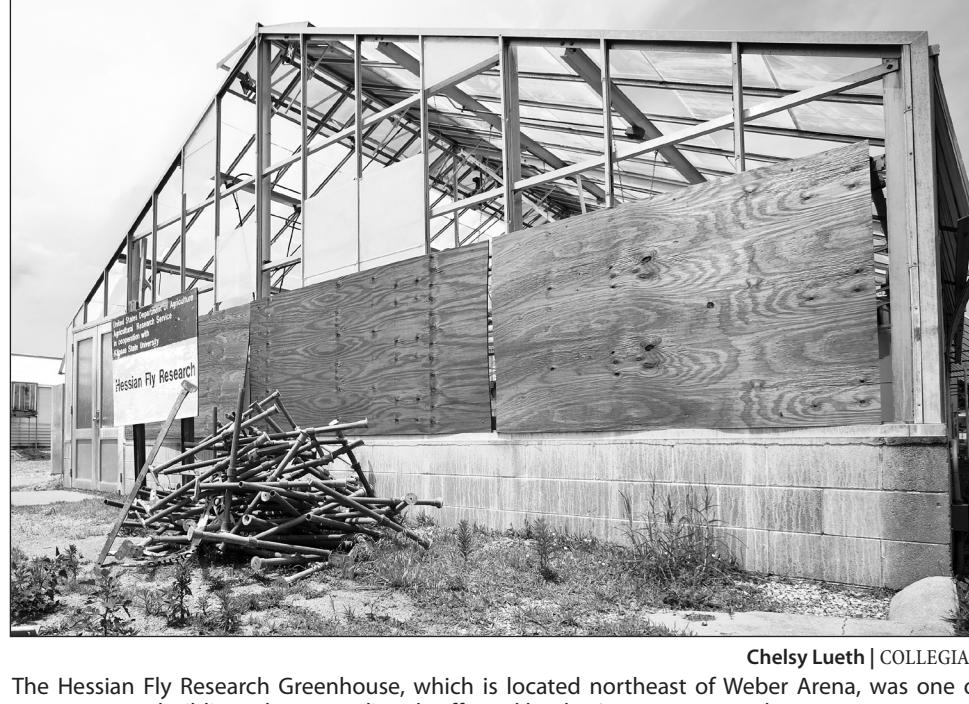
"You really just don't know what to do at first," Gaidos said. "In the morning, we got insurance guys here and hired a contractor to help us with the cleanup."

He said employees and their spouses as well as neighbors and volunteers came to help with the cleanup. They were only down for two days, moving into the empty furniture store south of the dealership. Gaidos said they moved into the new building and show room at the end of January.

Several buildings on the K-State campus were also affected, including Weber, Cardwell, and Waters Halls, as well as the Engineering Complex and others. Vice President of Student Life Pat Bosco said the timely response to repairing damages on campus was due in large part to President Jon Wefald.

"There were many unsung heroes that worked literally 24/7 and put President Wefald's vision into play," Bosco said.

For Chapman, the rebuilding process has taken a little longer. Scherer Memorial Parish Minister Amy Truhe said its church took a direct hit, and after assessing the damage, was considered a total constructive loss. The church now holds services in the Chapman Community Center, but has plans to rebuild. Church members are scheduled to break ground on a new building Sunday.



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The Hessian Fly Research Greenhouse, which is located northeast of Weber Arena, was one of many campus buildings that were directly affected by the June 2008 tornado.

"The congregation never thought of not being here," she said.

The construction is scheduled for 200 working days starting Tuesday and Truhe said it should be done around the end of the year.

Even with the destruction and rebuilding, some positives have come from the storm. Truhe said the congregation was blessed to have volunteers, especially the Abilene High School football team, which helped carry out salvageable items from the church.

While much has already been accomplished, there is still more work to go.

"We just take it one day at a time," Truhe said.

Trickle said the community remains confident in the rebuilding process.

"It's just going to take additional time," Trickle said. "We've come a long way. We're not where we want to be in terms of rebuilding, but I think the people of the community are confident that we are going to get there."

New Kansas law designed to help keep highways safer

By Caroline Sweeney
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

On July 1, a state law concerning left lane traffic will change. The new law mandates that the left lane be designated for passing vehicles only. The new law was signed by former Gov. Kathleen Sebelius on April 29.

This law will not apply to highways inside the city limits because of the large number of exit ramps that are located within many cities. During the first year, drivers caught consistently cruising in the left lane will be issued a warning ticket. After July 2010, police will issue left lane offenders \$60 tickets.

Six states have laws stating the left lane is for passing traffic only, unlike states such as California, Florida, Minnesota and Texas that use the Uniform Vehicle Code in regards to the left lane.

The Uniform Vehicle Code is a set of traffic laws that are prepared by the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Laws and Ordinances (NCUTLO). Kansas law follows what the NCUTLO states is proper driving etiquette, which is that slower traffic must yield to faster moving

traffic in the left lane.

Capt. Tim Hegarty of the Riley County Police Department said he understands the reasoning behind the new law.

"I think it will help to ease traffic congestion," Hegarty said.

Trooper Mark Engholm said he also thinks the law will be beneficial.

"This new law will lower congestion, create less road rage and safer environments on the highways," Engholm said.

Engholm also said that drivers who consistently drive in the left lane defeat the purpose of four-lane highways.

According to Engholm, the Kansas State Highway Patrol has supported the new law since it was first discussed.

"We are taking common sense and courtesy and making them a law," he said.

Though law enforcement officials agree the new law is needed, others are uncertain of its value.

"I personally think it's silly," said Sarah Kimberlin, sophomore in family studies and human services. "There are two lanes for a reason."

Marketing uses increase for facebook

By Justin Moss
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Since its inception, Facebook has grown in popularity with young people across the world, and is now available in more than 50 languages. More than 200 million users log on each day to check their inbox, updates and the statuses of their friends.

Facebook is so popular that even incoming K-State President Kirk Schulz created an account a year and a half ago at Mississippi State University after he heard friends at work talking about their experiences with the site.

"I bet I've added over 150 new friends on Facebook in the past two weeks, all of which are either K-state students, alumni, faculty or friends of the university," Schulz said. "It's been fun and I've even gotten in contact with several friends from high school. It's also nice to stay connected with students and see what they're thinking in a casual sense through Facebook."

From high school students to the president of K-State, Fa-

cebook remains one of the best forms of networking and communication for both professional and social lives of many, including K-State's own mascot, Willie the Wildcat.

K-State Media Relations has also picked up on Facebook and has been using this networking tool for about two years to publish all daily news releases. Media Relations also uses its Facebook page to post pictures and videos.

"Facebook is a great way to reach the media directly with news releases," said Erin Barrcomb-Petersen, research news and feature coordinator for Media Relations.

K-State athletics used Facebook at the start of last fall's football season to reach the student body.

"From a marketing standpoint, it is a great way for the students to receive updates and KSU athletic news," said Joni Smoller, director of marketing for the K-State athletic department. "I think Willie [the Wildcat] having a Facebook is great for the students because it is a place for students to come together as a community

and support K-State athletics."

This fall, the marketing team at the K-State athletic department is launching an official K-State athletic fan page where fans can join to receive updates, news and information.

Michael Pyle, senior in marketing, said he enjoys being connected with Willie The Wildcat and K-State athletics via Facebook and is surprised at how fast Facebook caught on to people outside of the student body.

"Not too long ago, Facebook.com was a Web site strictly for college students to stay connected," Pyle said. "Just recently it has become a place where virtually anyone can join, whether it be the president of KSU or a school mascot, and that's not necessarily a bad thing."

According to facts from Facebook, nearly two-thirds of Facebook users are not in college, and the fastest growing demographic is those 35 years old and older. As Facebook becomes increasingly popular among millions of people spread across the world, it would only be logical to name Facebook the best social utility of our time.

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Oldest grizzly bear in captivity dies after inspiring conservation

By Karen Ingram
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Sunset Zoological Park has lost a very special resident. On May 22, Brownie, a grizzly bear, was euthanized because of serious medical problems. Zookeepers and other staff gave Brownie a special dinner of his favorite food - salmon and watermelon - and said their goodbyes.

"It became apparent that his quality of life was not improving, and was deteriorating rapidly despite the best efforts of all involved," said Scott Shoemaker, director of Sunset Zoo, in a press release on the zoo's Web site. "Brownie's veterinarian team and zoo staff determined that the only humane thing to do was to euthanize him."

Brownie arrived at the zoo in 1968 after retiring from the circus. His exact age is not certain, but he was no younger than 56 years old when he died, making him possibly the world's oldest grizzly bear. According to Lousch, most grizzly bears live to be about 20 to 25 years old, meaning Brownie was about 150 in "bear years."

"It was hard to lose Brownie, but it was equally hard to know he was sad, he was suffering," said Allie Lousch, marketing director for the Sunset Zoo.

Roger Adams, K-State's rare books librarian and member of Friends of the Sunset Zoo, said he visits the zoo often with his family and was sad to hear of Brownie's passing.

"The first time I saw Brownie, I was surprised to see how active he was at his age, and I think that's a testament to the great care he had from the zookeepers and K-State Veterinary Medicine," Adams said.

Brownie was not the only animal in need of special care because of his age at the zoo. In the wild, chimpanzees rarely live past 40 years of age, but Sunset Zoo's oldest chimp, Suzie, is 55.

According to a May 8 article by ThePilot.com, zoos across the country are finding themselves caring for more elderly animals than ever before, thanks to the advancement of modern medicine and the continued improvement of zoos. Though this helps preserve endangered species, zoo officials say it can also present problems to both the zoo and the animal.

"The problems that we see in older animals are similar to those we see in older people," said Dr. Mike Loomis, chief veterinarian at the North Carolina Zoological Park, in ThePilot.com article.

Arthritis, hearing and sight loss, cancer, and even dementia can affect elderly animals. The medications they require to live comfortably can be expensive, but most accredited zoos, like Sunset Zoo, do not euthanize animals until it becomes absolutely necessary.

"Our mission is to inspire conservation, and Brownie was a great spokesman for that," said Lousch.

Wine tasting lets zoo supporters give back

By Melissa Talor
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The sun began its descent, shining light on the South American exhibit of Sunset Zoological Park. The sharp blasts of a jazz band, the peal of a peacock's mating call and the clinking of wine glasses floated through the air as more than 270 patrons gathered for "Wine in the Wild" Friday.

Friends of Sunset Zoo, a volunteer-based organization dedicated to fundraising, welcomed its third annual fundraiser with the flavor of South American music, food and wines last Saturday night.

"Wine in the Wild's goal is inherently to promote environmental education," said Allie Lousch, Sunset Zoo marketing and development director. "It started two years ago to help raise funds for the new education center which, gratefully, voters in Manhattan have voted yes to providing tax revenue to build the Sunset Zoo education center. So this year, the event is to say thanks to our supporters, and to raise funds for environmental education."

With the help of the presenting sponsor, Steel & Pipe Supply, and 30 other sponsors, "Wine in the Wild" brought in more than \$10,000 in donations to further conservation education.



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Peacocks mingle with zoo guests, Susanne Renberg and Robynn Bliss, at the third-annual Wine in the Wild event held at Sunset Zoological Park.

From the Clarion Hotel providing South American delicacies, to Nespors Wine & Spirits matching the menu with wines native to South America, Sunset Zoo brought to life its mission and its fundraiser.

For Lousch, however, the night meant more than raising money. It signified a community rallying together for one goal.

"Our mission is to inspire conservation to the natural world, but tonight, it is truly about the community coming together," she said. "This isn't just one genre. It's not just tails and top hats; it's not

Kansas State University; it's not UFM; it's not Aggieville; west side or south side; it's all the community and I think that's very fortunate. There is a deep, compelling sense of gratitude. If you look at the different personalities represented, you know that this is the community zoo, and you just can't beat that."

For Matthew Schindler, president of Friends of the Sunset Zoo, the night was a culmination of success, reminiscence and verification of the zoo's purpose.

"I grew up in this zoo," he said. "It was a free zoo then, there were no fences. I

grew up right over by the high school and played here when I was a kid. It was wonderful. My friends and I, we'd leave Saturday morning and Mom would say, 'Be home for dinner,' and we would come over here and play all day."

"It's a great thing for Manhattan to have a zoo and I think this [fundraiser] brings it out and reminds people how wonderful it is."

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Spooner temp. Dean of Arts and Sciences

By Jesse Riggs
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The College of Arts and Sciences has gained new leadership with the appointment of Brian Spooner, director of K-State's Division of Biology, as Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The announcement was made by M. Duane Nellis, K-State provost and senior vice president, who said he was pleased with Spooner's acceptance of the position.

"Dr. Spooner has substantial support from the faculty and has a long and successful tenure as director of the Division of Biology," Nellis said in a press release. "I am confident he will do a superb job in his new post."

As Interim Dean of Arts and Sciences, Spooner will not filling an office and signing on the dotted line. He said he plans to help the college move forward through the current economic downturn that has affected the nation.

"I wouldn't have accepted the position to simply hold down the fort," Spooner said.

Instead, he said he hopes to serve in the continuing construction of the best possible College of Arts and Sciences that K-State can achieve.

As a researcher, Spooner has already brought more than \$11 million in competitive extramural grant funding to the university.

Spooner has been director of the Division of Biology since 1994. Among the awards he has received are the Conoco Distinguished Graduate Faculty Member Award and the Presidential Award for Outstanding Department Head. His achievements include more than 100 scientific publications, which have been cited more than 5,000 times in other scientific texts.

He has also received "Citation Classic" recognition for a paper published during his postdoctoral fellowship at Stanford University. Spooner, along with seven others, published "Microfilaments in cellular and developmental processes" in 1971. According to the Science Citation Index, when the paper achieved "Citation Classic" status in December 1984, it had already been cited more than 1,325 times by other published scientific works.

At K-State, Spooner has 38 years of university teaching experience. He was named a University Distinguished Professor, K-State's highest career academic title, in 1999, and received a Professional Performance Award in 2007.



Spooner

Currie new sports director

New AD sits down for Q&A his first day on the job

By Aaron Weiser
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

K-State began its new term under athletic director John Currie Monday. After a three-month national search, Currie was introduced as the 15th athletic director at a May 18 press conference.

Currie, who was most recently the executive associate athletic director for the University of Tennessee, graduated in 1993 from Wake Forest University. He also earned his masters degree in sports management from Tennessee in 2003.

Currie worked in various capacities for the Tennessee athletic department. In the past decade, Currie created sales strategies that led to single-game attendance records during football season and served as president of the Southeastern Conference (SEC) development officers group. Currie was also named one of the "Top 40 Leaders Under 40" by the Knoxville (Tenn.)



Currie

News Sentinel.

The Collegian had the opportunity to ask Currie some questions about his new job.

Q: How familiar are you with things here currently?

A: There appear to be really, really good coaches across the board, good people and good coaches. You know in our network or industry, administrators talk to each other. We're competitive, but we want to win, and we want to beat each other. But we know that there is a greater thing beyond just our own schools [the Big 12] in terms of intercollegiate athletics and student-athlete welfare. We have a pretty collegial type relationship. When you've been around a while and built relationships with people from many different schools, you kind of get a sense of what people are about.

Q: Do you have any big goals in mind for the fall?

A: My primary goal right now is just getting to know people, internal and external. That's why I wanted to come over here and have

lunch with [the Collegian reporters], we could have had lunch over at our place, but, I wanted to make a point. This is my first day, and I am in a place where I can visually see as many students at one time as I can otherwise. When we talk about recruiting, I want to be able to say if I'm helping a coach, I want to be able to say to a parent that I've been in the food court and you can get this, this and this, not reading it from a brochure. I'm going to go meet with the faculty senate tomorrow and speak to them and go to these CatBacker events tonight in Great Bend [Kan.], and then tomorrow night to Hutchinson [Kan.], and then miss a couple and go to Marysville [Kan.].

Q: What was your first impression of Manhattan?

A: Terrific - it was really positive. I grew up in what was a small town, Chapel Hill, [N.C.] We had five or six elementary schools and two junior high schools and one high school - you know, kind of like it is here. I was driving in last night, and you know everything is right there; it is easy to live in this community,

and one of the advantages that Kansas State has is that this is a university community. Now, there's a responsibility that the university and athletics program have in place, because you get a lot from that. We have a real responsibility to be an active participant and leader in the community, but that's a huge advantage for a university, I think, and for an athletics department.

Q: What do you think of the campus?

A: It's really, really pretty. I mean, I know it is not like this all year-round because whenever it is cold or whatever. But I mean everything is so green, and one of the neat things that kind of gives credit to the leadership here for years and years is keeping the same building type, the limestone. When I was here last time we came on a Sunday evening, and I like to run. I got up in the morning before each of my days and walked, just walked around campus. Like Tuesday morning, I got up early, walked around and found the library. It's a beautiful building. I went in the all-night study area there, such a nice building.

Timeline of Krause's controversy

December 5, 2005: Ron Prince is named K-State's 33rd head football coach. He is salaried at \$750,000 per year.

August 7, 2008: Prince agrees to a two-year contract extension worth \$1.1 million per year plus incentives. On the same day, Krause signs a structured payment agreement with Prince to pay Prince's then-nonexistent company, In Pursuit of Perfection, LLC., \$3.2 million between 2015 and 2020.

April 4, 2008: Bob Krause agrees to a five-year contract as K-State's athletic director. Krause's \$210,000 salary is increased to \$225,000.

November 5, 2008: Krause fires Prince following a 52-21 loss to the University of Kansas. Prince finishes the season three games later, leaving K-State with a 17-20 record in three seasons.

December 23, 2008: In Pursuit of Perfection, LLC., Prince's corporation, is formed more than a month after his dismissal, according to a statement from the Kansas Department of Revenue.

May 11: K-State interim athletic director Jim Epps is informed of the August 2008 \$3.2 million contract while examining financial records for a non-related lawsuit.

May 20: K-State files a lawsuit in Riley County District Court. The lawsuit contends Krause did not have the proper authority to sign the memorandum of understanding. In a press release, President Jon Wefald apologizes and says Krause acted independently of the university in negotiating the "secret contract."

June 9: K-State associate university attorney Peter Paukstelis says there have been no new developments in the lawsuit proceedings and also said no negotiations have been undertaken with Prince's agent, Neil Cornrich. Riley County District Court has not set the matter for hearing.

—Compiled by By Rico van Buskirk

Public transit task force meets

Staff Report
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Regional transportation was the topic of discussion at the Riley County ATA Transit System meeting Tuesday at the Riley County Courthouse. The meeting laid preliminary groundwork for a regional public transportation system in the seven counties that surround Fort Riley.

Lisa Koch, public transit manager for the Kansas Department of Transportation, began by familiarizing the audience with T-LINK Task Force, a team created by former Gov. Kathleen Sebelius and charged with creating a recommendation for a multi-year transportation funding program. The Coordinated Transportation Program, which is funded through fiscal year 2009, is currently in use but ends this month.

The mission of the T-LINK Task Force also includes looking at new business models and new approaches to current fiscal needs of transportation. To replace the Coordinated Transportation Program with a more effective transit system, the T-LINK

Task force has turned to The Kansas Collaborative.

The Kansas Collaborative is a cooperative effort between the State of Kansas, the Kansas Association of Counties, and the League of Kansas Municipalities. Its goal is to encourage collaboration and improve government efficiency. TeamTech, Inc., a private consulting firm, founded and manages The Kansas Collaborative.

The Kansas Collaborative recommended the creation of a team to develop an understanding of the Regional Transit Approach, analyze details of how the Regional Transit Approach could work in the Riley County region, and then create an awareness campaign to reach out to consumers, providers, counties and cities.

Among those present to discuss and give input were state Rep. Sydney Carlin, the sustainability planner from Fort Riley, representatives of Pottawatomie County, Riley County commissioners, and K-State Student Body Vice President Wayne Stoskopf.

The team will start goal-setting sessions as early as July or August.

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ALBUM REVIEW

RED album deserves praise



"Innocence and Instinct"

★★★★★

Album review by Bethany Fief

Intense yelling mixed with a flowing melodic voice encompasses RED's sophomore album, "Innocence and Instinct."

Released in February, the band's album does not disappoint Christian alternative metal fans. According to www.cmspin.com, "Innocence and Instinct" climbed the music charts, debuting at No. 15 on Billboard's Top 200 chart.

The lyrics of this album, though not very metaphorical, provide uplifting insights and are easily relatable. Unlike some harder bands, the words easily flow and can be understood even during the loudest passages.

The lyrics add variety to the Christian rock genre by not only providing the typical inspiring positive messages, but also by digging into the frustration, pain and fear almost every human being can relate to.

The overall sound of the album is intense. In a few of the tracks, an orchestral sound can be heard, adding more to the music. The guitar riffs are strong and build anticipation. There is not as much unplugged sound during the slower tracks, such as "Take It All Away," but the vulnerability of the lyrics make up for it.

The opening track, "Fight Inside," provides the ragging lyrics of an internal battle. Vocally, the singer, Mike Barnes, could have intensified his sound with more yelling in the lyrics, "The fight inside is coursing through my veins/ And it's raging." However, his infamous powerful sound is heard in the bridge of the first single, "Death of Me."

The track "Ordinary World" is a catchy tune, with a combination of harder guitar riffs mixed with the soothing sound of the violin.

These orchestral sounds give this album variety and prevent the typical repetitive sound many rock bands struggle with from track to track. It makes each song on "Innocence and Instinct" wonderfully different.

Overall, "Innocence and Instinct" makes RED stand out among all the Christian alternative metal bands out there today. With sales continuing to climb, recent Grammy nominations and a tour in the works, RED deserves its spot in the music industry.

Soak Up the Sun



Despite overcast skies, Marianne Garcia-Magea and her friends, swim at Pillsbury Crossing on Tuesday evening. Pillsbury Crossing is located ten miles out of town on Pillsbury Crossing Road.

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Outdoor activities abound for summer fun in Manhattan areas

By Shelton Burch
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

With summer in full swing, students who stay in Manhattan are left to wonder, "What now?" As the realization that school is over sets in, many students are starting to look for fun things to do. With this in mind, we're here to help. The following are some fun, inexpensive and non-alcoholic ideas to occupy your time if you're tired of the typical nightlife.

One option is hiking or mountain biking. As the weather improves, students

can find a variety of places to enjoy these. Milford Lake offers a variety of trails and the park features everything from camping spots to year-round picnic locations.

"It's almost like a Colorado-type feeling," said Tim Murry, junior in geology. "You've got lots of different types of trees up there."

Another option for K-State students is Fugitive, a game in which players are either "cops" or "fugitives." In the game, cops hide while the fugitives try to make it to a predetermined point across campus without being tagged

or tackled by the cops. The game is usually played in the late hours of the evening and runs until midnight.

"It's very active," said Bill Gepford, May graduate in English and history. Gepford said his best memory comes from when he and another fugitive were being chased by a cop and decided to turn around, tackle the cop and hog-tie him to a tree to avoid being caught.

For people who might not be willing to expend so much energy late at night, an afternoon at Pillsbury Crossing might be more appealing.

Located seven miles southeast of Manhattan, this area offers birdwatching, canoeing and primitive camping. Other popular activities include photography and picnicking.

Charlotte Hecht, Manhattan resident, said there are many things to enjoy about the area such as waterfalls and picnic areas. She said her "absolute favorite" thing about Pillsbury is another part of nature that people bring with them to the area.

"There's always someone who's brought their puppy with them," Hecht said. "I just really like those puppies."

IN THE KITCHEN

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1 INGREDIENTS

4 cups egg noodles, uncooked
1 1/2 lbs. boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1-inch pieces
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3-1/2 cups fresh broccoli florets
1 large red pepper, cut into strips
1 yellow squash, sliced
6 oz. VELVEETA 2% Milk Pasteurized Prepared Cheese Product, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
1 Tbsp. fat-free milk
salt to taste
pepper to taste

2 DIRECTIONS

Cook pasta as directed on package. Meanwhile, cook chicken in dressing in large non-stick skillet on medium-high heat 5 to 7 minutes, or until chicken is done, stirring occasionally. Stir in vegetables and cover. Simmer on medium heat 5 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender. Microwave VELVEETA and milk in small microwaveable bowl on high 2 to 3 minutes, or until VELVEETA is melted and mixture is well blended, stirring after 1-1/2 minutes. Add to chicken mixture; mix lightly. Serve over pasta.

3 NUTRITIONAL FACTS

Serving Size	1 bowl
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 320	
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Saturated fat 3 g	
Cholesterol 100 mg	
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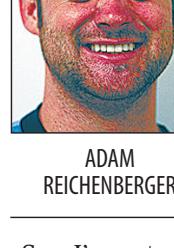
CREAMY CHICKEN AND NOODLES
-Compiled by Katie Marshall

MY LIFE AS AN AWKWARD GRAD STUDENT

Nude modeling career slowly blooms through artistic friends

So my modeling career is shaping up nicely. Yup. Some people out there are into hair and they're calling my name.

When you read this article, I should have already been posing for a couple days. See, I've got these friends of mine that consider themselves "artists." And as "artists" they occasionally need someone to "art."



ADAM REICHENBERGER

I've tried to get into this field for a while now and was about to give up on it entirely when the opportunity came knocking again.

I know quite a few people within our art department and as such the topic of nude modeling has frequently been brought up by myself. Likewise, it has frequently been shot down. I'm just trying to be an active member of the community by volunteering my time; I don't see what the big deal is.

"Come on man, let your students draw me," I pleaded one afternoon with a professor friend of mine.

"No, Adam. No," he quickly responded.

"How's your daughter?" I asked.

"What?"

"Nothing. Let me be your model!"

"Adam, you'd probably get a woody."

"Maybe."

"I can't have my students drawing woodies."

"Have you ever tried it?"

"Well..." he hesitated in thought. "No."

"See, you can bring them a whole new perspective, something that no one at K-State's ever done before!"

"Don't you have class?"

"Probably."

Then he went away confused, likely a little disturbed, and I was down-trodden as an ox. Speaking of which, are oxen on the endangered species list now?

And if not, where are they and what the hell are they doing? Do they just sit around all day chewing their cud, reminiscing the glory days of the trail?

I bet they're bored out of their minds right now ... and down-trodden of course, always down-trodden.

Well, now the Karma Police have come around and I'm back in the chair. I'm not sure if that real-

ly makes sense, but either way I'm finally modeling.

For starters, they've got me standing in some summer high school classes, so needless to say I

won't be in the nude ... at least not entirely. Some-

one will corrupt their fresh little minds sometime, but that sometime doesn't need to be now.

And that someone can certainly be a bit more attractive and a bit less emotionally scarring than I am.

But the high school class is just for starters. Ap-

parently from there my friends (through creating drawing portfolios for themselves) will inadvertently be creating a model-

ing portfolio for me. Sweet.

I guess there's some Web site that connects local artists to area models for this sort of thing and apparently there's a large void when it comes to Manhattan models that are ready, willing and available. And me? I've got nothing but time, babe, and I'm here to fill that void.

So eat your heart out, Manhattan-area artists; your prayers have been answered. It's a hairy answer, sure, but an answer nonetheless.

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HOOKAH | Leisurely pastime still popular despite being associated with tobacco risk

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Zack Pistora, senior in political science, said he has been smoking hookah socially for the past four years, once or twice every two weeks on average.

"It's something to do with friends and is kind of a social networking tool," he said. "Everybody's around sitting together, talking and passing [the pipe] around. It's enjoyable and makes you feel pretty relaxed."

As far as demand for the pastime goes, Pistora said he believes the recent increase is merely a trend.

"I think now we're more connected globally than we were before to start getting different traditions and hobbies and leisure activities," he said. "It's a culture-spread thing, [but] I think it's kind of trendy right now. Having the opportunity to do this 'new' stuff is kind of exciting. It's like when the iPhone comes out - it's a popular thing for a while, but people might lose interest after a while."

But for now, demand is high, and both Pistora and Nestler said Manhattan should consider capitalizing on the popular pastime.

"Manhattan would definitely benefit from having a hookah bar in town," Nestler said. "I can't tell you how many people have been in [On The Wildside] and couldn't believe we didn't have a hookah bar. I think it'd be great, to be honest, especially because of the demand."

Lawrence is home to several hookah bars, which are flourishing. Vassim Chahine, owner of the Hookah House - Lawrence's top peer-rated hookah bar - said business has been great since he opened in September 2006 after emigrating from Lebanon.

"The best thing about hookah bars is the experience and the culture," Chahine said. "You come here with friends, talk and meet other people. It's all about the social aspect of it."

Chahine said in his

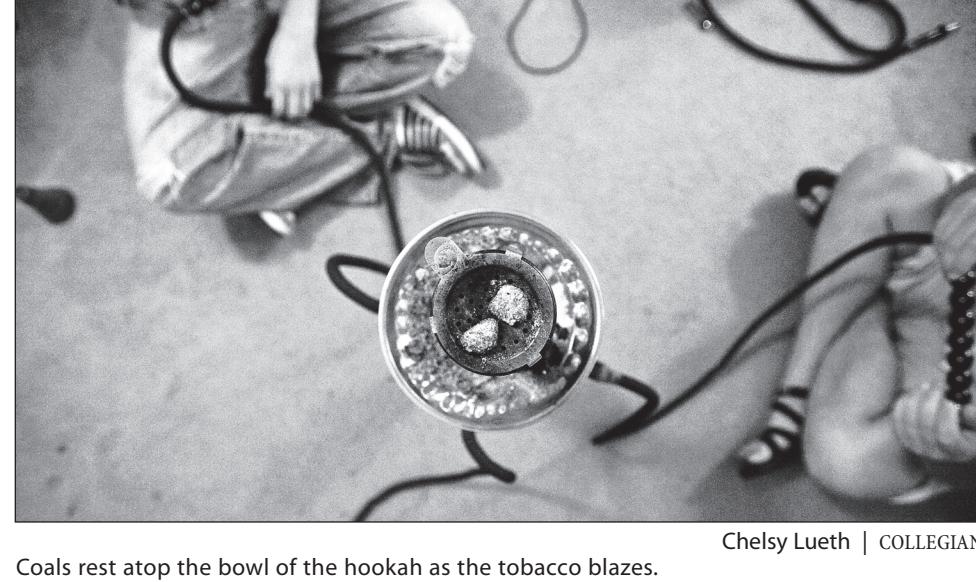
home country, it is mainly older men who smoke hookah, but in the U.S., he has noticed younger generations taking more of an interest in the activity. And thanks to word-of-mouth, he has seen the bar filling up faster than usual recently. Chahine said he, as well as other friends and family members, have found business to be best in college towns.

But the leisurely pastime does not come without risk.

Because the activity is tobacco-based, there are significant health concerns.

According to an article in a December 2005 USA Today, the belief that smoking hookah is less harmful than smoking cigarettes because of the water filter is simply a myth.

Thomas Eissenberg, a psychology professor at Virginia Commonwealth University and co-author of a recent hookah study, said in the article that hookah, which is typically smoked for about 45 minutes, delivers 36 times more tar than a cigarette, 15



Coals rest atop the bowl of the hookah as the tobacco blazes.

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times more carbon monoxide and 70 percent more nicotine.

A recent World Health Organization advisory also stated that a typical one-hour session of hookah smoking exposes the user to 100-200 times the volume of smoke inhaled from a single cigarette. Even passing though

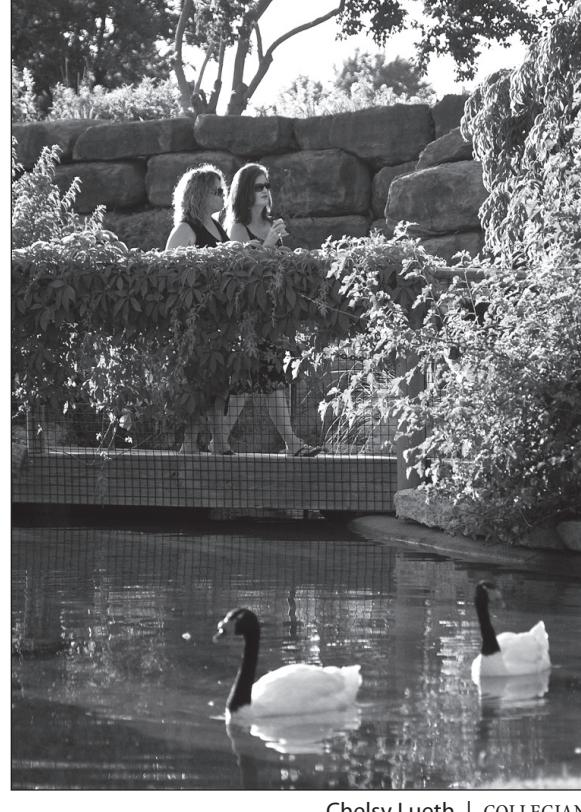
water, the flavored tobacco smoke still contains high levels of toxic, cancer-causing chemicals.

Though many users are aware there are some health risks, the difference between smoking cigarettes and smoking hookah is this, Chahine said: Typical cigarette users smoke multiple times a

day, every day. Typical hookah users, he said, smoke on average once or twice a week or less.

"It's harmful, but you don't smoke hookah driving or walking in the street, either," he said. "It's not good for you, but I haven't heard of anyone dying from it, either."

WILD | Patrons pledge support for zoo education



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Strolling to a wine station, **Gayla Adams-Wright** and **Monica Anaberg** cross over a bridge at Sunset Zoological Park Friday. There were several wine and food stations located throughout Sunset Zoo.

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Apple Veterinary Hospital, said the night reminded him of his days as a student at K-State.

For Lindquist and his wife, Elizabeth, DVM, Sunset Zoo served as a place for opportunity and adventure. They both served as docents, trained volunteers on zoo procedures and animals and worked together to support the zoo's mission of education and conservation.

"We've always been supporters of the zoo," Lindquist said. "When my wife and I were in college at K-State, we sold friends of the zoo memberships and won a contest - all expenses paid trip to San Diego. Ever since then we have tried to financially support the zoo because we won such a nice trip."

"We always wanted to be a financial supporter for the zoo. With our business we don't have time to be a zoo docent or educate people about the zoo's species, so we support through our finances."

The crowd included zoo employees, veteran volunteers and first-time guests, all taking opportunity to see the zoo's mission and goals.

"I think the night has been fabulous, it's such a wonderful way to publicize the zoo," said Kathy Herzog, first-time guest and Wichita resident. "I am really impressed and I think it's great. The food is fabulous and the variety of wine is nice. Zoos are incredibly important for people all ages. It introduces us to animals from different countries and different cultures and it exposes us to the world at large. It's just a good time to be out in Manhattan on a summer evening and I hope it raises a lot of money for the zoo."

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the commission to consider keeping money in circulation rather than saving it in city reserves.

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BRIEFS | K-Stater crowned Miss Kansas

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June 6: K-State student Becki Ronen, senior in music performance, was crowned Miss Kansas 2009 in Pratt, Kan., and will represent the state in the Miss America Pageant on Jan. 30, 2010.

June 8: North Korea sentenced two television journalists, Laura Ling and Euna Lee, to 12 years of hard labor. The reporters were from the San Francisco-based Current TV.

U.S. officials have been urging their release since the beginning of their trial. They were arrested along the China-North Korea border, after North Korean officials claimed the journalists trespassed on North Korean soil while reporting a story on human trafficking by Kim Jong Il's regime.

June 9: The family of abortionist Dr. George Tiller announced it will not be re-opening his clinic, Women's Health Care Services.

CITY | Raise for city employees debated

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Mayor Bob Strawn dismissed any validity to the claim that a one-percent raise could "buy" city employees' loyalty.

Strawn said the concern for employee retention is rooted in the high cost the city incurs when filling a vacancy. Also, a boom in construction at Fort Riley and Junction City has created alternate employment opportunities for many of qualified city employees who have at least five to 10 years of experience with the city. Strawn said commissioners should consider the possibility that city employees might realize the necessity to forgo an annual raise in favor of the

general city good.

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